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The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung poses with the government friendship delegation of Socialist Ethiopia after receiving them

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Receives Foreign Guests

Government Friendship Delegation of Socialist Ethiopia

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on March 26 received the government friendship delegation of Socialist Ethiopia.

Present on the occasion were the members of the delegation headed by Moges Wolde Michael, Chairman of the Economic Committee of the Provisional Military Administrative Council of Socialist Ethiopia.

Comrade Chong Jun Gi, Vice-Premier of the Administration Council, and personage concerned Chon Myong Su were on hand.

On the occasion the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung had a conversation with the guests in a cordial and friendly atmosphere, saying that he was very happy to meet the first guests of friendly Socialist Ethiopia in our country.

The head of the delegation courteously conveyed friendly greetings of His Excellency Tiferi Benti, Chairman of the Provisional Military Administrative Council of Socialist Ethiopia, to the great leader.

Expressing thanks for this, the great leader asked the head of the delegation to convey his cordial regards to His Excellency Chairman Tiferi Benti.

On the same day, the great leader arranged a luncheon in honour of the delegation.

Managing Editor of Japanese Politico-theoretical Magazine "Sekai"

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received on March 28 Ryosuke Yasue, Managing Editor of the Japanese politico-theoretical magazine "Sekai".

Present on the occasion were Comrade Kim Yong Nam and Hwang Nae Ik, Vice-Chairman of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said that he was happy to see him again in our country. He had a conversation with the guest in a cordial and friendly atmosphere and answered a number of questions put by the latter.

After the reception the great leader posed for a photograph with him.

On the same day the great leader hosted a luncheon in honour of the guest.

TELEGRAMS

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a message of greetings to **Fazal Elahi Chaudhry**, President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, on the occasion of the Day of Pakistan which is a happy holiday of her people.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message of greetings to **Abu Sadat Mohammad Sayem**, President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, on the Independence Day of the PRB.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **Mohammad Reza Pahlavi**, Shahanshah of Iran, in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter on Iran's New Year which is celebrated as auspicious national holiday of Iran.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a telegram of condolence from **Didier Ratsiraka**, President of the Democratic Republic of Malagasy, upon the death of Comrade Nam Il, Member of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, Deputy to the Supreme People's Assembly, Member of the Central People's Committee and Vice-Premier of the Administration Council of the DPRK.

Netherlands-Korea Information Committee

Inaugurated

The Netherlands-Korea Information Committee was inaugurated recently in Amsterdam, according to a report.

The main purpose of the committee is to briskly introduce the achievements of the DPRK in the struggle for socialist construction and the struggle of the Korean people for forcing all the foreign troops out of south Korea and achieving the independent and peaceful reunification of the country and expose new war provocation manoeuvres and fascist suppression of democratic figures by the US imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique in south Korea.

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The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG's Historic Treatise "The Non-Alignment Movement Is a Mighty Anti-Imperialist Revolutionary Force of Our Times"

Carried in Many Publications of Foreign Countries

Publications in many countries of the world devoted their spaces to the great revolutionary leader Comrade Kim Il Sung's historic treatise **"The Non-Alignment Movement Is a Mighty Anti-Imperialist Revolutionary Force of Our Times"** which was carried in the first issue of Argentine magazine "Guidebook to the Third World" on December 16, 1975.

Pakistani newspaper "Magrabi Pakistan" printed the treatise, carrying with due respect the portrait of the great revolutionary leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

In its introductory note the paper pointed out that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea frustrated the nefarious manoeuvres of reactionaries and joined in the non-alignment movement as its official member last year, and emphasized:

This demonstrated the correctness and vitality of the independent foreign policy of the DPRK Government which is under the guidance of the great leader President Kim Il Sung and showed that no force can impair the prestige of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on the international arena.

The DPRK's admission into the non-alignment movement is a great inspiration to the movement itself. Moreover, it gives fresh encouragement to the people the world over.

The historic treatise authored by the great leader President Kim Il Sung is of weighty significance in strengthening and developing the non-alignment movement.

The treatise was printed also by the Ugandan paper "Voice of Uganda", Nepalese paper "Samaj", Pakistani papers "Chingari" and "Apak", Senegalese magazine "Observateur Africain", Costa Rican paper "Pueblo", Sierra Leonean journal "Leonean Sun" and her papers "The Sunday Flash" and "Wiyon". The august portraits of the great leader were carried simultaneously.

Spaces were allotted to the full text of the great leader's historic treatise by Syrian papers "Al Baath" and "Al Shakafa dul Usubuaiye", Sudanese paper "Al Sahafa", Benin paper "Ehuzu", paper of the Yemen Arab Republic "Al Shaab", Togolese paper "Togo Press", Pakistani paper "Islam Zamhuria" and her weekly journals "Nusrat" and "Pakistan Economy", Bangladesh paper "Holiday", US paper "The New York Times", Indian magazine "India-Korea Friendship", Lao paper "Vientiane Mai", Kuwaiti paper "Al Watan" and Norwegian paper "Dagbladet". At the same time the portraits of the great revolutionary leader Comrade Kim Il Sung were printed with due respect.

The gist of the treatise was carried by Algerian paper "Al Chaab", Jordanian paper "Al Destour" and Yugoslav paper "Vecernje List" together with the treasured portraits of the great leader.

The full text of the great leader's historic treatise was released by the Gambian paper "The Progressive Newspaper", Zamblan paper "Daily Mail", Somali paper "Vanguard", Finnish paper "Satakunnan Tio" and Mauritius paper "The Nation". Spaces were devoted to the summary of the treatise by Algerian paper "El Moudjahid", Yugoslav papers "Borba" and "Politika", Iraqi paper "Haukari", Norwegian paper "Friheten", Finnish paper "Uushima" and Kuwaiti paper "Daily News".

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US Imperialists, Stop New War Provocation Manoeuvres in Korea and Quit S. Korea at Once, Taking All Aggressive Forces Along

Many Countries Express Active Support to the Letter of Standing Committee of DPRK Supreme People's Assembly to Parliaments and Governments of All Countries of the World

Reply from Chairman of Federal Skupshtina of Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia

The Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea received a letter from Kiro Gligorov, Chairman of the Federal Skupshtina of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, in reply to its letter sent to the parliaments and governments of all countries of the world in connection with the tense situation created in our country of late.

The reply letter said:

Respected comrades,

We acknowledge the receipt of your precious letter dated March 4 this year addressed to the parliaments and governments of all countries of the world.

We would like to stress that the Standing Committee of the Federal Skupshtina of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia paid due attention to the content of the letter and the Yugoslav people and nations, their deputies and government always attached importance to the developments on the Korean peninsula.

It is entirely natural for the people, the Supreme People's Assembly and the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to focus their attention on them.

We know well that the presence of the foreign troops in south Korea is the basic obstacle to the normalization of the situation and the achievement of a peaceful reunification by the Korean people.

Therefore, Yugoslavia holds that all the foreign troops stationed in south Korea must be immediately withdrawn.

The Korean question has been an object of discussion at many meetings of non-aligned countries for its seriousness.

At the Lima Conference of Foreign Ministers in 1975, all the non-aligned countries pointed out in unison that the Korean question was a product of the artificial division of the country and its remaining unsolved was a threat to peace and security in Asia and the rest of the world.

The conference affirmed its support to the policy of the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

We support with great interests the consistent efforts of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to achieve the peaceful reunification of the country.

Socialist Yugoslavia, a member state of the non-alignment movement, which is faithful to her principle, has always called for the right of all peoples to self-determination, their right to independently decide their own destiny by themselves and their right to choose the road of their development without outside interference and has fully supported and will support the efforts of your government for the peaceful reunification of the country on the principle of unity and the programme put forth by President Kim Il Sung of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

In this way another latent source of scourges created in the cold war period may be removed.

When President Kim Il Sung paid a visit to our country some time ago, our President Josip Broz Tito stressed once again that Yugoslavia also supports your efforts for the country's peaceful and democratic reunification and fully supports the stand clarified by President Kim Il Sung in the five-point programme.

You know that Yugoslavia has supported Korea's peaceful reunification not only in the United Nations but also at many other places.

Yugoslavia will as ever actively support by all possible means the efforts of your country to realize the legitimate aspiration of the Korean people.

We are convinced that the efforts of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea will enjoy support at the Summit Conference of the Non-aligned States to be held in Colombo in August this year and this will help toward a faster and fair solution of this question.

We express to the Supreme People's Assembly of the friendly and socialist DPRK, a member state of the non-alignment movement, and, through it, to the entire people of your country our undivided support and our conviction that the protracted artificial division of your country will be brought to an end by peaceful means.

Reply from Standing Committee of LPDR Supreme People's Assembly

A letter came from the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Lao People's Democratic Republic in reply to the letter sent by the Standing Committee of the SPA of the DPRK to the parliaments and governments of all countries of the world in connection with the tense situation created of late in our country.

The reply said:

The Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Lao People's Democratic Republic has received with deep interest the letter dated March 4, 1976 of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea addressed to the parliaments and governments of all countries of the world concerning the present tense situation on the Korean peninsula caused by the provocative manoeuvres of the US imperialists and the south Korean puppet clique.

The Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly and Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic and the Lao people strongly condemn the US imperialists' manoeuvres in persisting in their bellicose policy and increasing tension in Korea to ignite again a war seriously menacing peace and security in Asia and the world.

The Supreme People's Assembly and Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic and the Lao people maintaining fraternal friendship with the Korean people and adhering to an invariable position in extending unshaken militant solidarity with and support to the Korean people in their just struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of their country, demand that, in compliance with this position, the United States Government discontinue at once all its military provocations against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and withdraw all its troops from south Korea for a durable peace in many parts of the world.

The Leader of the People

Taking an Apple in His Hand

This happened one day in December 1933. The people in Hsiaowangching guerrilla base were deeply moved and delighted, when they heard from a man of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army that the fatherly leader had sent a gift laden with his warm affection to the members of the Children's Corps and people in the base, not forgetting them even under the difficult circumstances that the Japanese imperialist invaders were carrying on more nefarious "winter punitive operation" against the guerrilla base.

The KPRA man who brought the gift told them the following story:

A unit of the KPRA under the command of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung advanced to an enemy-controlled area near Liangshuichuantzu to harass the rear. They ambushed a transport unit of the enemy heading for Wangching and Hunchun and seized a lot of booty such as weapons, clothes and food. Among them were some boxes of apples taken from Korea.

The KPRA men picked out a few apples that looked well-ripe and delicious from the apple boxes and offered them to him.

Taking an apple of bright colour in his hand, the fatherly leader said: **"This is the Korean apple! ... Korea is rich in the apple of this sort, fragrant and tasty".**

He impressively touched on the fact that the Korean apple, one of the special products, is splendid both in colour and taste and that the apple trees heavily laden with the scarlet fruits add to the scenic beauty of the homeland.

Running his eyes over the soldiers, the great leader said in an emphatic tone that the cause of fatherland restoration must be achieved at the earliest date to regain the lost country, which is beautiful, fertile and good to live in. He then looked far into the sky over the homeland for a while.

Presently, he put the apple back, saying: **"Many of the children of our base have never set foot in their homeland, not to mention seeing our famous Korean apples. There is not food enough to fill their stomachs. Give the apples to them and they will have a taste of their homeland."**

The KPRA men invited him more than once to take one at least.

But the fatherly leader declined.

The people and children of the base were moved to tears, when they received the gift permeated with such deep affection of the fatherly leader.

During the hard-fought battles he often went without meals, putting up with the burning thirst. But his primary concern went to the welfare of the children and people. So, they renewed the firm determination to repay his tender affection with loyalty.

Even an apple occasioned the fatherly leader to think of the children and people and show his deep concern for them in the years of the arduous anti-Japanese armed struggle. Under his warm affection that remained unchanged lots of orchards were planted in our country. No wonder it is world-renowned as a "land of fruit trees" today.

Unshaken Faith

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"The anti-Japanese guerrillas were staunch Communists who remained unboundedly loyal to their leader and dedicated their all to the struggle for the victory of the revolution."

The anti-Japanese guerrillas spent every minute of their life for the great leader and willingly laid down their lives only for his sake. Herein did they find a greatest happiness and honour. No adverse circumstances could break their single-hearted allegiance to the great leader and bar them from keeping up their undaunted struggle. Comrade Kwon Yong Byok, one of the anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters, was no exception.

He would say:

"The homeland where I was born is a mother. Comrade Commander who teaches me and brings me up through the revolutionary struggle is a teacher and father.

I'll remain wholeheartedly loyal to the fatherly leader."

It was his faith and revolutionary creed that never changed.

Unfortunately, during his underground activities in Changpai area Comrade Kwon Yong Byok was arrested by the enemy in October 1937. The same with his comrades engaged in the revolution.

The scoundrels frantically tried to make him spill the beans. All kinds of brutal torture continued day after day, but failed to break his will.

For him greater than the physical pain was the mental anguish which emanated from the remorseful thought that he failed to carry out the revolutionary task assigned by the great leader because he was jailed by the enemy.

It was true that he had done much work and scored a great success since he came to the Changpai area. Party organizations and chapters of the Association for the Restoration of the Fatherland were formed in different parts of the area and the broad sections of the masses rallied around them. Thus a solid mass basis was laid for the anti-Japanese armed struggle.

So, he received unstinted praise and even a precious gift from the great leader.

And yet he had a great deal of work to do if he was to contribute to translating into reality the far-reaching plan of the great leader for the Korean revolution and loyally live up to his deep political trust and solicitude.

Comrade Kwon Yong Byok groped for a way of struggle though he was behind bars.

Finally it dawned on him that he must help his revolutionary comrades out of prison as many as possible by stating that all that was known to the enemy was of his own work. He made up his mind to enable them to resume their activities in the revolutionary ranks.

As a result of his self-sacrificing action, many revolutionary comrades of his were either discharged from prison or could escape capital punishment.

The enemy passed a death sentence on Comrade Kwon Yong Byok at a murderous court.

However, Comrade Kwon Yong Byok turned the court into a theatre of struggle, where he bitterly lashed at the Japanese imperialists' crimes and put up a persistent struggle, declaring that these hangmen were doomed to death and destruction.

The last moment of his life came in March 1945. He looked back on the path he had traversed for 36 years.

His was too short a life.

What grieved him most was a thought that he had done little for the great leader and for the revolution. But he did not feel ashamed as he acted with a clear conscience.

He faced death with perfect composure, firmly convinced of the victory of the Korean revolution led by the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and picturing to his mind a bright future of the liberated homeland.

Comrade Kwon Yong Byok is no more with us now.

But the unbounded allegiance to the great leader that filled his heart will be enshrined in our hearts forever.

Kim Ik Gwon

Efforts to Develop Extractive Industries

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has taught:

"Giving definite priority to the extractive industries is a pressing task in giving full play to the processing industries, whose productive potentialities have increased radically in recent years, and in continuously advancing the nation's economy at a fast rate."

Under the wise leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, our country waged a struggle for the huge socialist construction and fulfilled the Six-Year Plan ahead of schedule. In this course, the giant metallurgical bases and bases of power, chemical and other branches of heavy industries and light industry have been built in large numbers, and existing factories and enterprises either reconstructed or expanded.

As a result, in recent years our economy has grown larger in scale than ever, and the productive potentialities of the processing industry increased sharply.

As the nation's economy developed at a very fast rate and grew larger in scale and as new upsurges were effected in production, the total annual industrial output value showed a 2.2-fold increase at the end of August last year as against 1970.

Our country made development by leaps and bounds when the capitalist world was in acute difficulty in getting fuel and raw material. One of the important factors in such a development is that our country has its own solid bases of fuel and raw material.

We are directing efforts to the extractive industries this year, too.

Much effort is now made to increase greatly the production capacities of the existing coal and other mines.

In recent years, our country pushed ahead dynamically with the work of mining non-metallic ores including apatite, metallic ores and coal, with the result that the mining capacities augmented remarkably.

In order to raise the capacity of treating ores, the mines in different parts of the country are giving priority to the efforts to boost the ore-dressing capacity.

New ore dressing plants are under construction at many mines including the February Mine.

A new ore dressing plant has already been commissioned at the Taedaeri Mine. The construction of the second ore dressing plant of the Rakyon Mine is nearing completion.

All our coal and other mines are actively developing pipeline, cableway and belt-conveyor transport in an attempt to increase the transport capacity.

The construction of the loading facilities is pushed forward at many coal mines including Chikdong Coal Mine, the work of introducing cableway is well under way at numerous coal and other mines, Hukryong Coal Mine included.

An energetic campaign is afoot in the extractive industries to increase the tunnelling and mining capacities by replacing equipment with large-size, modern and high-speed ones.

This year comprehensive mechanization is effected in the Taeyang pit of the Anju Coal Mine. The work of introducing new technique and replacing equipment is propelled at a large number of collieries and mines.

On the basis of the success achieved in the geological prospecting work, new coal and other mines are being actively developed while efforts are made to increase the productive capacities of existing coal and ore mines.

In the western district, the development of Sinuiju Coal Mine is started and new pits are opened up at the Songchon and Ryonghung mines.

According to the Party's policy of directing efforts to the extractive industries, the coal and ore mining machinery plants in various parts of the country are mass-producing efficient and modern mining-machines and equipment.

As a result, the rotary-blow rock drill, universal tunnelling machines, hydraulic supports and various other kinds of machines and equipment are supplied to the extractive industries in larger quantities. This keeps the technical equipment at coal and other mines on high level.

As mentioned above, our country produces ever larger quantities of fuel and raw materials through the unremitting efforts for the extractive industries. Thus, a reliable condition is created to develop the nation's economy steadily at a high rate.

Kim Su Yon

Mineral Deposits Found in Abundance

Great successes have been achieved in the geological prospecting work in all parts of the country.

The geological prospecting corps in the western region already discovered the deposits of large tonnage of iron ore in more than ten areas in North and South Hwanghae Provinces and the hinterland by pooling all technical forces and equipment and manpower, making deep-going scientific research and carrying on prospecting intensively. The result was that wider vistas were opened before existing mines such as Chaeryong and Tokhyon mines.

The prospecting corps in the northern region did surveying at depth in the area near the Musan Mine and elsewhere. They worked at lightning speed. This led to discovery of ore deposits.

The prospecting corps in the Tanchon area made a big success in their work by finding large deposits of ferrous metallic minerals in five regions.

One of the great successes achieved recently in the geological prospecting is the discovery of deposits of large tonnage of coal, which will undoubtedly help toward attaining the goal of 100 million tons of coal, one of the ten major targets of economic construction.

The fuel deposit found already by the strenuous efforts of the members of the geological prospecting corps proves so large as to be exploited for hundreds of years.

Along with these successes in the prospecting of iron ore, ferrous metallic ores and coal, an epochal turn was brought about in the prospecting of the secondary raw materials of cement (20 million tons are to be produced during the perspective plan period) and in the survey and development of the deposits of alloying elements which are indispensable for ensuring the independence of steel industry.

The geological experts say that the tonnage of deposits of iron ore and coal found in our country is estimated at tens of thousands of millions of tons.

This opened up a broad avenue for further development of the extractive industries in the next perspective plan period.

These laudable successes in the geological prospecting are a brilliant fruit brought forth by the wise guidance of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung who advanced the Juche-based policy of prospecting and led the workers concerned to victory and by the unblemished loyalty practiced by the members of the geological prospecting corps in carrying out the teaching of the great leader unconditionally and thoroughly, going through thick and thin.

Li Chang Il

Our Orchards in Their Best Days

A new spring of April has come, making everything vibrant with life in our orchards.

In this April when flowers start blooming, our people observe the 15th anniversary of the historic Pukchong Enlarged Meeting of the Presidium of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, at which the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung pointed the Juche-based direction for development of fruit cultivation, thereby paving the way for a great turn in this sphere.

At the historic Enlarged Meeting the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"You must develop the area planted to fruit on a big scale through an all-people movement while, at the same time, carefully tending the existing orchards. Large-scale expansion of orchards represents a tremendous nature-remaking project and a great revolutionary undertaking for improving the people's living conditions. This is not simply work for the welfare of our present generation; it is an honourable task for the welfare of the future generations."

Immensely encouraged by the bright prospect opened by the great leader and the deep affection shown by him, the fatherly leader, to provide our rising generations with a happy life, our working people were all out as one to carry out the tremendous nature-remaking project for turning every hill in the country into an orchard, and devoted all their energies to this project.

Through this fruitful struggle lots of orchards were created on the hillsides. The whole land was practically covered with fruit trees in only a few years. The orchards yield an abundance of fruits every year.

Large-scale state-run orchards and thousands of co-op farm orchards appeared in all parts of the country—in the northern mountainous areas where not a fruit tree had grown, on the hillsides, high and low, in the eastern and western coastal areas and in the hinterland and even on the sandy beaches. Fruit trees now grow there as thickly as forests. In villages fruit trees were planted around each farm house.

In the pre-liberation days we had only 10,000 *chongbo* or less planted to fruit. Now the figure runs into more than 300,000 *chongbo*.

A big change took place in the composition of species and varieties in fruit cultivation.

In former days main stress was laid on the growing of slow maturing fruit trees like apple and pear. Today many kinds of fruit trees which bear fruits in spring, summer and autumn are to be found everywhere.

The fatherly leader saw that the solid material and technical foundations were laid for further development of pomiculture. He proposed the Juche-oriented methods of fruit cultivation and took measures to apply them successfully.

The Juche-based fruit growing methods suitable to our climatic and soil conditions—how to train and prune fruit trees and how to raise them on sloping land—were introduced on a full scale. In consequence, fruit trees grew stronger from day to day, and the output of fruits increased year by year.

Thanks to the profound solicitude of the great leader and the glorious Party Centre, hosts of tractors, trucks, sprayers and other types of modern machines for fruit farming and a large quantity of agricultural chemicals were supplied. As a result, mechanization has been introduced in all processes of fruit cultivation, including plowing, weeding, fertilization and spraying of chemicals.

On the Pyongyang Fruit Farm, one of our leading fruit production centres, six tractors work per 100 *chongbo*. There are many trucks and various kinds of machines, plus large fruit-storages and fruit-processing facilities.

Last year the number of tractors operating in all the orchards of the country was 19.6 times that in 1960, and modern machines for fruit cultivation sharply increased in number.

The harvest of fruits shows a marked increase.

The combined fruit farm in Kwail county, called "100-*ri* orchard in its best days", annually turns out far more than 5 times as much fruit as was produced in our country in a whole pre-liberation year.

The country's total output of fruits increased 3.8 times in 1975 as against in 1960—pear 7 times and peach 21.3 times, for instance.

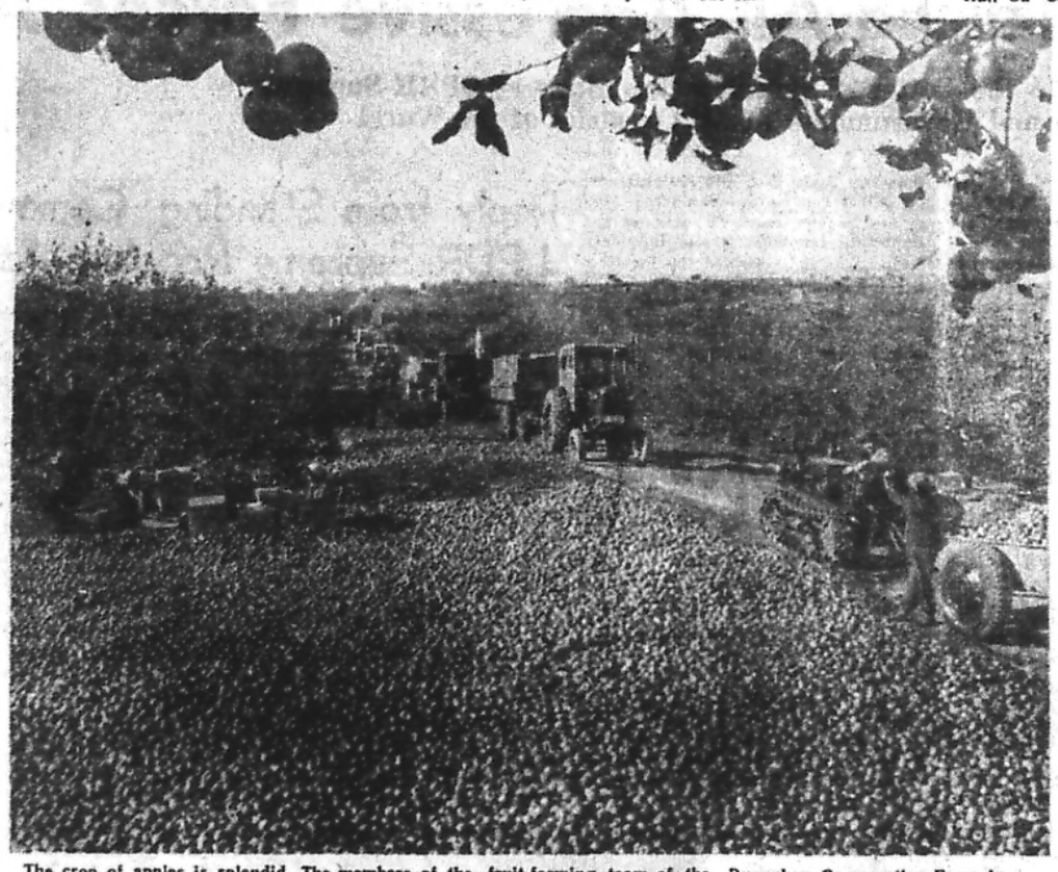
The orchards which have grown well on all our hilly lands for 15 years following the Pukchong Meeting are in their heydays. There fruit trees open flowers and bear clusters of tasty fruits in their seasons.

This proud success scored after the Pukchong Meeting has brought our country the name of a "land of fruit trees". Plenty of fresh fruits are supplied to the people in all seasons.

The nation-wide network of splendid orchards represents an eternal precious wealth achieved under the wise guidance of the fatherly leader and his far-reaching plan for the welfare of the generations, present and future.

Today our people are taking good care of orchards which are in their best days, singing of the fatherly leader's great favour.

Han Su Chon



The crop of apples is splendid. The members of the fruit-farming team of the Ryongban Co-operative Farm in Mundok county, South Pyongan Province, are busy picking them

Third Asian Table-tennis Championships to Open in Pyongyang

The Third Asian Table-tennis Championships will be open in Pyongyang, the capital of our country, from April 25 to May 7.

During this period, the Congress, Council and Executive Committee of the Asian Table-tennis Union will meet in Pyongyang.

At the forthcoming championships, a large number of well-known players from many Asian countries and regions will compete in man's and woman's team matches, singles and doubles and mixed doubles and boy's and girl's singles. The First Asian Table-tennis Championships was held in Peking, China, in 1972 and the Second Championships in Yokohama, Japan, in 1974.

The Third Asian Table-tennis Championships the biggest in scale ever in the Asian table-tennis history will greatly help towards strengthening the friendship and solidarity between the Asian peoples and sportsmen and further developing the Asian table-tennis movement and raising its technical standard through the exchange of experiences.

And it will encourage the struggle of our people who are vigorously advancing for the complete victory of socialism and the promotion of the independent and peaceful reunification of the country, holding high the red banner of the three revolutions, under the wise leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and our Party.

The Organising Committee of the Third Asian Table-tennis Championships is briskly carrying on all necessary preparations for successfully conducting the championships, on which the deep interest and expectation of the Asian people and sportsmen are focussed, in accordance with the idea of the Asian table-tennis movement.

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WPK Delegation Visits the Netherlands

A delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Kim Gwan Sop, Member of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Chairman of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, visited the Netherlands from February 29 to March 5, according to a report from Amsterdam.

The WPK delegation paid on March 4 a call on Hank Fukstra, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Netherlands.

On hand were Paul De Groot, Honorary Chairman of the Central Committee of the CPN, and a Secretary of the Central Committee of the Party who is member of the Political Bureau of the CPN Central Committee.

Hank Fukstra asked the head of the delegation to convey his most heartfelt, warm greetings to the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

He expressed admiration for the independent stand of the Workers' Party of Korea and manifested firm solidarity with our Party and our people in the struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

Earlier, the WPK delegation met Harl Vanden Berg, Secretary for International Affairs of the Central Committee of the Labour Party of the Netherlands, the ruling party, and had a talk with him. The talk proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

While staying in the Netherlands, the delegation met leading functionaries of the Lawyers' Association of the Netherlands and the Students' Union of the Netherlands and men of the press of this country.

They expressed support to the Korean people's struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

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WPK Delegation Visits Norway

A delegation of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Son Song Pil, Alternate Member of the CC of the WPK and Minister of the DPRK Administration Council, visited Norway between March 11 and 20, according to a report from Oslo.

During its stay the delegation paid a call on the Chairman of the Central Committee of the Left-Party Socialists of Norway, and had talks with its delegation.

Present at the talks on the Norwegian side were the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Party and personages concerned.

At the talks the Chairman of the Central Committee of the Party asked the head of the delegation to courteously convey his heartfelt, warm greetings to the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and expressed firm support to our Party's cause of national reunification.

The WPK delegation had talks on the 15th with the delegation of the ruling Social-Democratic Party of Norway.

Present at the talks on the opposite side were Ibar Leberas, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Party, Voerg Bergh, Secretary of the Women's Secretariat of the Central Committee of the Party, and Private Secretary of the Foreign Minister.

On the 17th the delegation called on Layolf Stin, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Social-Democratic Party of Norway.

He said, to begin with: "I wish you to convey my warmest greetings to the great leader of your Party and your people Comrade Kim Il Sung, and my wishes for great success to him in his noble work in performing an important mission in the solution of the problems of Korea, Asia and the rest of the world".

He said his Party expressed support to the Workers' Party of Korea in its cause of national reunification.

On March 18, the WPK delegation had talks with the delegation of the Norwegian Communist Party.

Present at the talks on the opposite side were Martin Gunnar Gnuttsen, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Party, Rolv Nettum, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Party, and Colborn Harbu, Secretary in Charge of Trade Unions of the Central Committee of the Party.

Saying that he remembers the day when the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung cordially received him when he was visiting Korea, Martin Gunnar Gnuttsen asked the head of the delegation to convey most heartfelt greetings of himself and his Party to the great leader.

Then he expressed full support and solidarity for the Korean people's cause of the reunification of the country.

During its stay the delegation met and had conversations with the Minister of Transportation and Communications and the Speaker of the Parliament who are Members of the Executive Committee of the Central Committee of the Social-Democratic Party of Norway, the Chairman of the Foreign Policy Committee of the Party who is Secretary of State of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Parliament.

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Reconstruction and Expansion Project of Komdok Mine

in Full Progress

THE Komdok Mine situated at the southern tip of the Machonryong range with abundant underground resources in northeastern district of our country is among the leading nonferrous ore producing centres in Korea.

The mine which has been developed into a modern mine under the wise guidance of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung is now being expanded further still.

The hero-miners of the Komdok Mine come out from the pit. They have just scored a new miraculous and innovatory success in ore production

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said in his New Year Address for 1976:

"This year...great efforts should be directed to the development of the Komdok Mine to increase the output of nonferrous ores markedly."

Thanks to the far-reaching plan of the great leader to develop on a large scale the rich nonferrous ore resources of the Komdok district and to the energetic guidance of the Party Centre which is faithfully acting on the lofty intention of the great leader, the Komdok Mine is making giant strides in the midst of the vigorous "Three-Revolution Red Flag Movement."

In full compliance with the requirement of the Party policy that top priority should be given to the pit construction and tunnelling, the miners there have secured sufficient ore reserves and further raised the ore output by effecting comprehensive mechanization of pit work and automation of production processes and introducing advanced methods in mining and dressing. They are also dynamically pushing ahead with capital construction in a big way.

In the mine a large, long-range belt conveyer is under construction.

They are making vigorous endeavours to build a belt conveyer at a distance of 7 km. for pit transportation within this year as part of the project.

With an ardent loyalty to the great leader and the Party Centre the workers and technicians of the mine more than trebled the tunnelling speed as against the end of last year by conducting an intense speed campaign. The result is that pit tunnelling has entered the last stage.

A new and big ore dressing plant rose in the mine and the existing dressing plants are being reconstructed and expanded on a large scale.

The project undertaken to increase the ore selecting capacity of the second dressing plant 1.9 times is as enormous as building a new dressing plant. The miners are replacing the existing ore-dressing facilities with large and modern ones of higher efficiency and raising the actual extraction rate in concentration drastically through complementary processes. While augmenting the production capacity, they are making various kinds of automatic installations and apparatuses in the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance. Thus they are improving equipment and striving to turn the dressing plant into a fully automated one.

They are creating a big settling basin to completely prevent the contamination of atmosphere resulting from development of big mines. Those who are engaged in laying out the settling basin started a daring undertaking. They blew up a mountain, removing 600,000 cubic metres of rocks and earth, and built a dam for the basin in a short time.

A pipeline and waterway are being rapidly extended over a distance of 12 kilometres to connect the dressing plant and the settling basin.

The workers and technicians of the mine who deem it their sacred duty and most honourable task to unconditionally accept and thoroughly implement the instructions of the great leader are bringing about innovations at every work place for development of mine, holding aloft the banner of three revolutions, ideological, technical and cultural. Consequently, the face of the mine is being changed radically from day to day.

In the next one or two years all equipment of the mine will be replaced by larger, more modern and speedier ones, and transportation be diversified, and thus the ore output will be sharply increased.

Then this mine will greatly contribute to hitting the target of one million tons in the production of non-ferrous metals, one of the ten perspective goals of socialist economic construction.

Li Chan Sun

Coal Output Increased through Technical Innovation

THESE days new innovations have been brought about in the production of coal at collieries in all parts of our country.

The coal miners who joined as one in the "Three-Revolution Red Flag Movement" conducted a vigorous campaign for increased production, with the result that they overfulfilled the target of capital tunnelling by 23 per cent, earth scraping by 19.6 per cent and coal production by 4.6 per cent in 20 days of March as against the corresponding period of February.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"The coal mines in particular should bend all efforts to mechanizing work in the pits."

The workers of the Sinchang Coal Mine energetically pushed ahead with the mechanization of the coal mining operations, wholeheartedly upholding the teaching of the great leader.

The tunnellers introduced drill carriages, highly efficient rock drills and other efficient machines and the coal miners devised a new large-size combined hewing machine and thereby boosted the output remarkably.

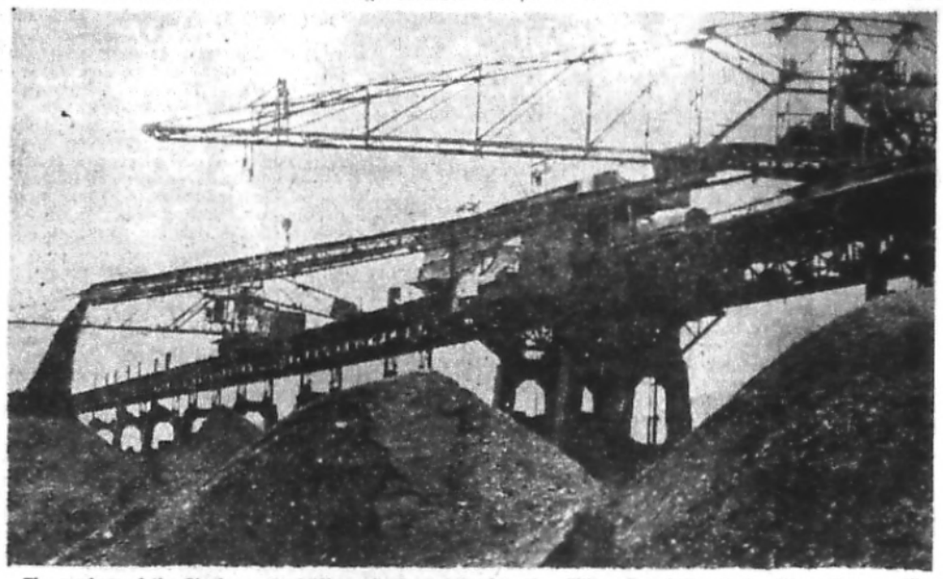
The workers in charge of coal haulage extended the pit car line and introduced large-size cars, chain conveyers and belt conveyers and promoted the work to remote-control the carrying operations.

Through this struggle the workers of the Sinchang Coal Mine topped the capital tunnelling plan by 29 per cent and the coal production plan by 24 per cent in March compared with the previous month and thus attained the goal of coal production for the first quarter of the year over a week ahead of time.

An innovation has also been effected by the workers of the Choyang Coal Mine. They fulfilled the first quarterly plan of their colliery 8 days earlier than schedule on all indices.

Besides, in March the Ryongmun Coal Mine produced 15 per cent more coal and the Sudong Coal Mine 49.8 per cent more than in February.

Shim Chol



The workers of the Sinchang Coal Mine who have joined in the "Three-Revolution Red Flag Movement" are daily effecting innovations in coal production

PAK JUNG HI GANG WILL NOT ESCAPE A STERN JUDGEMENT BY HISTORY

Truth of "Visit to Native Towns" Farce Staged by South Korean Puppet Clique

These days the south Korean puppet clique are trying to attain their sinister political aim by drawing even the Koreans in Japan under Chongryon (the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan) hailing from south Korea into their farce called "visit to native towns" of "Mindan"-lining compatriots (Mindan—the "ROK" Residents' Association in Japan), according to a report.

This is part of the Pak Jung Hi clique's anti-Chongryon and anti-DPRK campaigns.

As is generally known, when the case of sniping at Pak Jung Hi occurred on August 15 two years ago, they tried to lay the blame to the door of Chongryon to find a pretext for repression, but failed. Their plot to do harm to our Republic and Chongryon by forging "Rodong Sinmun", organ of the Workers' Party of Korea, and "Reminiscences of the Anti-Japanese Guerrillas" was also frustrated by the highly vigilant Koreans under Chongryon.

Last year they cooked up the "Federation of Koreans in Japan for the Promotion of Democracy", a bogus organization, and distributed among Koreans in Japan conspiratorial anti-DPRK and anti-Chongryon documents bearing the name of this "organization". In November last year they framed up the "campus spying case" of "Mindan"-inclined compatriots studying in south Korea and tried to make it appear that Chongryon was involved in the case. This plot was also laid bare by the memo written by Kwon Mal Ja, a Korean student in Japan who studied in south Korea and was directly used for the fabrication of the "case".

As things came to such a pass, they are now staging even the "visit to native towns" farce by taking into account the yearning of Koreans in Japan for their native land with a view to realizing their purpose by all means.

Their malicious farce is a despicable trick. It is intended to take to south Korea Koreans under the influence of "Mindan" and unorganized Koreans in Japan all of whom hail from south Korea and make them a scapegoat of the "anti-communist" and "anti-Chongryon" campaigns. On the other hand, it aims to take Koreans under Chongryon to south Korea as members of the delegations "visiting native towns" and force "conversion" upon them and thus undermine the Chongryon organization.

As Koreans in Japan saw through this stratagem and did not respond to their call for "visit to native towns", the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique set the farce as an "undertaking of national importance" and sent Chong Hong Jin, the 7th bureau chief of the "KCIA", to Japan to make him "direct" it.

Chong went to Japan, taking with him 5 million dollars, more than 300 *kisaeng* girls and many special agents. Using money and comfort women, he tries to bribe those who are to "visit native towns". And in order to send many Koreans in Japan to south Korea, he is at great pains to concillate and deceive them with honeyed words: "Anyone can visit his native land without changing his nationality", "You can have everything in your own way" and what not.

This guy is working overtime to draw Koreans under Chongryon into the farce. He set a prize of one million *won* on raising a Korean under Chongryon and is now whipping the bosses of "Mindan" up to the work of recruiting Chongryon-lining compatriots. He encourages them, raving: "Go for the heart of Chongryon and get good results!" But there is not a single Korean under Chongryon who is taken in by their trick.

What lot is imposed upon those Koreans in Japan who were taken to south Korea, duped by the "visit to native towns" farce?

From the moment they arrive in south Korea, they are treated not as visitors to the native land but as prisoners and under the surveillance of the "KCIA" gang they are forced to attend the "functions" arranged by the puppet government and conduct "anti-communist" and "anti-Chongryon" propaganda and "speak highly of" the corrupt south Korean society.

Nor is this all. In spite of the fact that not a single Korean under Chongryon is to be found among the delegation members "visiting the native towns" the newspapers on the payroll of the south Korean puppet government are circulating a false report, describing them as compatriots under Chongryon and "converts".

When they are about to return to Japan, special agents threateningly tell them to "send children to Japanese schools" and "not to get in touch with Chongryon". If they refuse to do so, they try to intimidate them, saying: "Your safety will be at stake" and "Your relatives and family members in the native land will not be safe". If the visitors do not accede to their demand during their stay in south Korea, they deprive them of even their lives.

All the facts patently show that the aim pursued by them through the "visit to native towns" farce is to do harm to Chongryon, undermine the work of Koreans in Japan for national unity and their movement for national reunification, slander the DPRK and fix the national split in an attempt to save their declining fate as far as possible.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has said:

"...the aggressive manoeuvres of the imperialists and the country-selling, treacherous acts of their lackeys to rig up 'two Koreas', perpetuate national division and keep south Korea as a colony and military base are being condemned and frustrated more and more at home and abroad."

Today when the ugly nature of the "visit to native towns" farce was brought to daylight, even the Koreans in Japan under "Mindan", to say nothing of the Koreans under Chongryon, strongly denounce the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique and stubbornly reject their farce.

A Korean citizen in Japan who had narrowly missed being cheated by them offered strong resistance, saying: "Over the 30 years following liberation I have lived believing only the respected and beloved leader Marshal Kim Il Sung. How can I play into the hands of you lackeys of US imperialism and take the path of treachery to the nation!" Thus he reliably defended the honour of being a DPRK citizen.

Those who, cheated by them, visited south Korea openly expose and denounce them, saying: "I've been to south Korea once without knowing what they mean. Don't go there", "If you go there, you will fall into the hands of the devils" and "Pak Jung Hi is not a human being."

By no ruse can the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique achieve their insidious end. Their nasty trick will only promote their isolation from the overseas compatriots.

The Pak Jung Hi gang of scoundrels, the most heinous traitors to the nation, will surely be brought to a stern judgement by the entire Korean people including the Koreans in Japan.

Kim Byong Sam

Who Killed Kim Gyong Gu and Why?

The Pak Jung Hi puppet clique are now trying to mislead world public opinion, claiming that Kim Gyong Gu, a Korean youth in Japan, who had visited south Korea as the "head of a lunar New Year Day grave visiting group of compatriots in Japan", "took his own life from mental derangement".

No one, however, will be fooled by their lie.

The murder of the young man, Gyong Gu, was pre-arranged from the outset.

It was on January 31 this year that Gyong Gu arrived in south Korea.

He went there with his mother and younger brother by appeasement, deception and coercion of special agents of south Korean puppets.

The youth Gyong Gu was son of Kim Gi Jung, adviser of the Mindan (the "ROK" Residents' Association in Japan) headquarters in Kumamoto Prefecture, Kyushu, Japan. He was a gentle and cheerful boy and was fond of travelling. His mother longed for her native place. Taking all this into account, the south Korean agents inveigled them in the "home visiting" farce to use them for their plot.

The scheme to use Gyong Gu was directed by the KCIA.

On February 3, a special agent took him to a dimly-lit room of a hotel and told him: "Mr. Kim, we want you to attend a press interview in the capacity of a Chongryon official in Kumamoto Prefecture. (Chongryon—the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan—Ed.) For your father's sake, you had better do so. Take it easy, we're ready to settle ensuing matters properly". So saying he put 10,000 dollars stealthily into his bag.

The following day the youth met the very special agent, and handing the money back to him, rejected his demand pointblank, saying: "I've come to visit my native land. Don't bother me any more. I am not a Chongryon official. I can't allow myself to get 'converted' to 'Mindan', passing myself off as a Chongryon official."

But they did not shrink back. They went a step further.

On February 5, the gangsters introduced him as the "head of a home-visiting group of compatriots under Chongryon" from Kumamoto Prefecture and described him as a "convert" at the "meeting welcoming the home-visiting group." And then they started to conduct an "anti-communist" propaganda, vilifying our Republic and Chongryon.

As things went on like this, the youth got angry and sternly protested against their impudence, saying: "I can't bear at all. It's a trick. My conscience does not allow me to oppose the North and Chongryon. I strongly demand you take back what you said now. Otherwise, I'll disclose the truth after returning to Japan".

His act stands to human conscience.

The gangsters decided to kill him lest the criminal nature of their plot should be laid bare when he is sent back to Japan.

On the evening of the 5th, two special agents broke into a room of Sorin Hotel where the youth was staying, and they finally pressed him to obey their order. But he again flatly refused to accept their demand. The villains, as planned, struck him on the head and dropped him from the 15th floor. They took a photograph of him to make believe that he committed suicide by jumping down from the building. The agents even cremated his corpse in early morning the next day.

According to their premeditated plan the Pak Jung Hi clique of villains made the puppet "public safety section of the Seoul local public prosecutor's office" announce that the youth "took his own life from mental derangement".

The Pak Jung Hi gangsters who killed coldbloodedly a home-visiting compatriot are human butchers of the deepest dye.

Kim Chol Nam

Pak Jung Hi, Traitor to the Nation (4)

Cutthroat Who Made His Countrymen Scapegoat for His Overlord in War

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has said:

"On orders from the US imperialists, the south Korean puppets have thrown more troops than any other vassal states—and earlier than any other puppets—into the battlefields of South Viet Nam, thus faithfully serving US imperialism in carrying out its aggressive war."

Pak Jung Hi is an arch-traitor who forced the south Korean young and middle-aged people into the battlefields of Viet Nam as bullet-shields for the US imperialists, only to let them die in vain.

There are a lot of heinous puppets in the world. But rarely to be found among them is such a traitor as Pak Jung Hi who made more zealously than anyone else his countrymen the scapegoat for his master in the war in an effort to prolong his dirty life.

The US imperialists called upon many countries to "dispatch their troops" under the pretext of "collective security" in an attempt to recover from their ignominious setbacks in the aggressive war in Viet Nam. But none was willing to respond.

Their "allies" such as Britain, West Germany and France declined. Even their vassal states and puppets could not allow themselves to accept the call. But traitor Pak Jung Hi did earlier than others.

In fact, he left the puppet troops at the disposal of US imperialism as its dog-cheap cannon-fodder in the war against the Vietnamese people. And he described it as a "justifiable action taken for the first time in history". This fully reveals his nature as a traitor to the nation.

Hidden behind it was his blackhearted intention. The aim he sought was to keep the US imperialist aggressor army occupying south Korea as strong as ever and get more "aid" and deeper trust from his overlord in reward for his "troop dispatch to Viet Nam" so as to gratify his lust for long-term office and larger wealth.

Traitor Pak Jung Hi began to dispatch the young and middle-aged men, 140 in all, in September 1964 under the name of the "non-combatant unit" in defiance of the people's strong protest and condemnation. A few months later over 2,500 puppet troops including engineer units were thrown into the battlefields for the disgraceful, aggressive war.

When the US imperialists were getting deeper into hot water due to their heavy military losses in South Viet Nam, traitor Pak Jung Hi sold as the cannon fodder over 20,000 puppet troops in 1965, more than 25,000 in 1966. More young and middle-aged people and even civilian technicians were sent under the cloak of the "military civilians" or the "civilian service corps".

The total number of the puppet troops sent by the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique reached over 300,000 for 8 years between 1964 and the year when fire was ceased. Over 50,000 were kept stationed in South Viet Nam during the whole period.

The puppet troops were deployed either in the most dangerous combat zone or in swampy area against their will by US imperialism. They had to bear the brunt of battle at the cost of their lives. This helped the Yankee aggressors escape death.

The battle cost them dearly. A whole company, battalion or regiment of the south Korean puppet army was often wiped out by the South Viet Nam Liberation Army at a stroke. No one can tell how many puppet troops died a dog's death, shot by the US imperialist aggressor troops.

In case the puppet armymen showed signs of shrinking back before action in swampy area or arduous battle the Yankee imperialist beasts shot them to death without mercy. When they suffered heavy casualties, their planes bombed south Korean soldiers on the ground that they provided insufficient protection for them. In case the Yankee beasts were encircled by the SVNLA, they shot them at random simply because there was no means of transport enough for their getaway.

This notwithstanding, traitor Pak Jung Hi clamoured about the "war results" or "distinguished services", and sent more puppet troops under the cover of "relief" forces to fill the gap at the instigation of the US imperialists, keeping the people from seeing the extent of the losses.

Traitor Pak Jung Hi earned a lot of money at the sacrifice of the fellow countrymen.

He got some 1,000 million dollars as an "additional military aid" from the US imperialists and earned 900 million dollars by means of "export", "army purveyance", "remittance", "premium" and the like during the Vietnamese war.

And he received even the "prize" of 120 million dollars from his master for his "distinguished service" in throwing the south Korean young and middle-aged people into the aggressive war of US imperialism in South Viet Nam.

He twaddled that the money earned at the cost of the tears of the soldiers' parents, wives, sons and daughters and at the cost of their blood was "conducive to the development of the economy". What a filthy scum he is.

Pak Jung Hi is none other than the traitor to the nation and a human dreg, who has committed the indelible crimes against our nation. He is a war criminal who has perpetrated, as the most atrocious war servant of the US imperialists, the towering crimes against the South Vietnamese people struggling for freedom and liberation and the peace-loving people the world over.

Pak Hae Chon

The soldiers of the south Korean puppet army were forcibly taken to the shambles of the war in South Viet Nam as cannon-fodder of US imperialism, only to get killed or die of diseases in fear and despair

PHOTOS—LEFT: Puppet armymen are seen writing to their families, bewailing their sad lot — they may be killed at any moment
RIGHT: A puppet army soldier is carrying on his back a mortally-wounded man, gripped by a fear that similar misfortune may befall him

Pak Jung Hi Gang Must Stop Suppressing People at Once

World Public Circles Continue to Resolutely Denounce South Korean Puppets' Repressive Atrocities against Democratic Personages

US Public Circles

Public circles of the United States are raising higher their voices denouncing the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique's barbarous suppression of south Korean democratic figures who held an anti-"government" meeting and released the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" in Seoul on March 1, according to a report.

The March 15 issue of the US newspaper "Christian Science Monitor" assailed the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique's savage suppression of democratic figures who signed the declaration.

The newspaper stressed that the outrageous act intended to stuff the mouths of those who criticize must be most severely denounced. And it expressed indignation at the arrest and harsh interrogation of those who signed the declaration.

It demanded that the US government reexamine its policy toward the south Korean puppet regime.

On March 13 US Senator Crenston condemned the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique's barbarous suppression of south Korean democratic figures and held that the US government must reexamine all problems concerning its relations with the south Korean puppet regime including the question of discontinuing "aid" to it.

Reischauer, former US ambassador to Japan, on March 19, called on the US government to warn south Korean Pak Jung Hi that it disapproves of his policies, it was reported from New York.

Reischauer, now a Harvard University professor, in a letter to the editor of "The New York Times", pointed to the Pak Jung Hi clique's recent arrest of south Korean democratic figures.

In the letter he said:

"The arrested persons were devoted believers in democratic government who refuse to accept Pak Jung Hi's repeated efforts to justify dictatorship by exaggerated cries of 'threat from the north'.

"Pak Jung Hi has crippled the opposition political parties, punished the exercise of free speech, prevented free association, censored the media, subdued the universities, restricted religious groups, controlled labour movements and generally created an atmosphere of fear and intimidation.

"Those who have tried to resist the ruthless extermination of the democratic experiment of the south Koreans have met economic sanctions, threats to their persons and families, arrest, kidnapping, torture and even death".

In conclusion the letter said that it is time for the US politicians in the executive branch and in Congress vigorously to express their disapproval of such policies of south Korea.

The Quaker Committee, a US religious organization, on March 22, called upon the US government to basically reexamine its policy towards the Pak Jung Hi puppet regime, according to a report from New York.

The committee demanded that the Pak Jung Hi dictatorial "regime" stop suppression of all the persons and religious circles and the political opposition groups denouncing its arbitrariness.

On the same day, believers in Chicago also held a meeting and demanded the US government's discontinuation of its political support and military and economic aid to the anti-popular "regime", of the south Korean puppet clique.

Broad Public Circles of Japan

Voices condemning the Pak Jung Hi fascist hangmen's repression of the personages involved in publishing "the declaration for democracy and national salvation" are growing louder among broad public circles of Japan, a KNS report from Tokyo said.

An emergency meeting protesting against the crime of the Pak Jung Hi fascist hangmen in arresting those involved in the publication of the declaration was recently held at the Yamanote church in Tokyo under the sponsorship of "the Japan liaison council for solidarity with the south Korean people".

The meeting adopted a statement addressed to the Japanese government and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique.

Earlier, "the Japan liaison council for solidarity with the south Korean people" and democratic organizations of Japan co-sponsored a meeting in Sakamoto park in Tokyo in stern protest against the repressive rampage of the Pak Jung Hi fascist hangmen against the south Korean democratic figures and believers.

After the meeting the attendants marched downtown Tokyo in a powerful demonstration, holding slogans: "Release the south Korean patriotic democratic figures!" "Down with the Pak Jung Hi regime!" and "Japanese government, change your Korean policy!"

An Osaka meeting was recently held at the Nakanoshima public hall in Osaka to support the struggle of the south Korean democratic figures and people who had published the declaration, denounce the Pak Jung Hi fascist clique's repression and brutal tortures of Korean students in Japan studying in south Korea and demand the release of all the detained "political prisoners".

The meeting sponsored by the Osaka prefectural people's joint struggle council against the Japan-US "Security Pact" was participated in by more than 1,000 workers, youth and students of Japan.

Five representatives of the council, in accordance with the decision of the meeting, called at the south Korean puppet "consulate general" in Osaka, thrust a letter of protest at it and scathingly denounced the Pak Jung Hi fascist hangmen's crackdown.

In the meantime, the Osaka district council of the General Council of Trade Unions of Japan issued a statement supporting the declaration and protesting against the Pak Jung Hi fascist hangmen's repression of the democratic figures.

Tokuma Utsunomiya, Chairman of the Afro-Asian Affairs Institute of the Liberal Democratic Party of Japan, held a meeting at dietmen's hall No. 1 of the House of Representatives on March 9 to discuss the problem of the Pak Jung Hi clique's arrest of the signatories to the declaration and other persons concerned, a report from Tokyo said.

At the meeting it was noted that the declaration was a patriotic statement of the south Korean intellectuals and the Pak Jung Hi "regime" should humbly accept it and an identity of views was reached on the stand that the Japanese government should take a strong attitude towards the Pak Jung Hi "regime".

On the afternoon of that day Tokuma Utsunomiya met the Japanese Prime Minister, the Chief Secretary of the Liberal Democratic Party and the Foreign Minister and notified what was discussed at the meeting and demanded the Japanese government take a strong diplomatic attitude towards south Korea.

A protest demonstration of Japanese intellectuals supporting the struggle of the south Korean democratic figures and people against fascism and for democracy, castigating the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique's repression of the people and demanding the release of the detained democratic figures took place on March 23 in front of the "embassy" of the south Korean puppet clique in Tokyo, according to a report from Tokyo.

The demonstrators thrust a resolution at the south Korean "embassy".

In the resolution they demanded an immediate release of south Korean patriotic poet Kim Ji Ha, saying that the "suspicion" attached to him is a fabrication by the south Korean "Central Intelligence Agency". They also demanded an immediate release of the signatories to the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" and persons concerned.

At the end of the demonstration they held a protest meeting flaying the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique's fascist repression of the people.

Believers in Sweden

A meeting of Swedish believers supporting the anti-fascist struggle of the south Korean people was held on March 18, according to a report from Stockholm.

The attendants adopted a letter to the Prime Minister of the Swedish government, demanding that he oppose the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique's barbaric suppression of the south Korean people.

The letter said:

We urge the Swedish government to fulfil its international duty by strongly denouncing the south Korean puppet regime and demanding that it release all the "political offenders" and ensure democratic freedom and human rights to the south Korean people.

The meeting adopted a telegram of protest to the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique.

The telegram demanded the release of all the "political offenders" in south Korea.

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Challenge to World Opinion

Today the voice of world people becomes louder than ever in protest against and in denunciation of the Pak Jung Hi fascist villains' brutal suppression of the south Korean people.

But, the south Korean fascist hangmen arrested, imprisoned and put to all kinds of tortures those figures of the south Korean political, academic and religious circles, who had signed the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" calling for the abolition of "emergency decrees", release of the unwarrantably jailed patriotic people and resignation of traitor Pak Jung Hi, and other people involved. On March 26 they perpetrated another fascist outrage in bringing en masse 18 of them before a kangaroo court.

This is an unpardonable fascist action against the signatories to the said "declaration" who demanded the democratization of south Korean society and against other people involved. And it is a heinous challenge to the world opinion calling for their release.

With nothing can the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique justify their fascist suppression.

"Indicting" the signatories and others involved, the fascist bandits charged that they were "misleading public opinion", "abusing religious functions" and "echoing the north". But there is no reason or ground for their suppression.

How is it that calling for abolition of the "emergency decrees", the fascist Draconic law, for release of the unreasonably imprisoned patriotic people and for resignation of the traitorous Pak Jung Hi clique who oppose the country's reunification and plot for its division, can deserve a verdict of guilty?

Their twaddling about "misleading", "abusing" and "echoing" is nothing but a trick designed to cloak their fascist suppression and treacherous acts.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung pointed out:

"The south Korean authorities harshly suppress the people today, even depriving them of elementary liberties and rights."

Today south Korea has been fascistized to the extreme.

As even an American priest disclosed, no one in south Korea is safe from being "arrested and tortured" with the exception of Pak Jung Hi. All the newspapers and magazines are converted into the "publications of the south Korean Central Intelligence Agency". The people are kept in bondage of the "revitalized" dictatorship. All the gatherings are banned. If people say anything that may rub the oppressors the wrong way, they are liable to undergo the sentences of imprisonment, even the death sentence.

Even the religious functions are under the control of the KCIA and are suppressed by it frequently.

It is quite justifiable for the south Korean people to oppose such fascist dictatorship.

Therefore, the US newspapers and radios are denouncing the Pak Jung Hi clique's fascist suppression and are calling for "cessation of the US aid" to the puppet "government".

Frightened at this, the Pak Jung Hi clique are now staging a farce to mislead the public opinion at home and abroad by setting the reptile propaganda machine in motion and mobilising the KCIA agents. At the same time, they are giving a vicious challenge to the world public opinion, blustering about "interference in their internal affairs" and "deviated report".

No suppression and deceptive scheme, however, can help the Pak Jung Hi clique save themselves from the sealed fate.

The more desperate efforts they make, the bitterer will become the people's resistance to them and the world-wide castigation of them. In the end, they will be punished severely by the people.

Kim Chol Min

LEFT: Figures of various circles and religionists in south Korea hold a meeting demanding the "release of the detainees", "abolition of the revitalized constitution" RIGHT: Koreans in Japan and Japanese people have thronged to the south Korean puppet "embassy" in Tokyo to protest against and condemn the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique's fascist suppression of south Korean people

RPR Spokesman Issues Statement

in Denunciation of South Korean Puppet Clique's Fascist Suppression

The spokesman of the Revolutionary Party for Reunification recently issued a statement flaying the Pak Jung Hi fascist bandits' repression of the figures of various circles and people who published the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" in south Korea, according to "Hyokmyong Chonson" (revolutionary front), the organ of the Central Committee of the Party.

Holding that the declaration demanding the resignation of the Pak Jung Hi fascist dictatorial "regime" reflected the unanimous desire and purpose of the south Korean popular masses for independence and democracy, peace and peaceful reunification, the statement pointed out:

With the traitorous Pak Jung Hi "regime" let alone, our popular masses cannot regain national sovereignty, shaking off the foreign yoke, nor can achieve democracy, destroying the "revitalized" dictatorship, nor can promote the national unity between the north and south, nor can achieve the country's independent and peaceful reunification, shattering the "two Koreas" plot.

"The first step toward the eradication of the root cause of all sufferings and calamities of our popular masses is to overthrow the Pak Jung Hi dictatorial regime," stressed the statement.

It said:

The wholesale arrest and intensified repression of democratic figures and popular masses will never extinguish the raging flames of the struggle for democracy, but will serve as a blasting-fuse exploding the pent-up wrath and discontent of the popular masses.

With no fascist repression or desperate manoeuvres can the Pak Jung Hi traitorous "regime" utterly isolated at home and abroad and facing a fatal crisis stave off its ignominious doom.

The statement strongly demanded: "The Pak Jung Hi fascist bandits must discontinue forthwith their bloody acts of repression, unconditionally release the detained democratic figures and all the political prisoners, abolish the notorious 'emergency measures' and all other repressive orders and resign their power".

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Another Dangerous Play with Fire

A large-scale "ROK-US joint naval amphibious mobile exercise" has reportedly been staged off the coast of south Korea since March 25. This is another dangerous play with fire.

Taking part in this war gamble are large units of aggressive forces including the aircraft carrier "Midway" under the US imperialist 7th fleet in Yokosuka of Japan and south Korean puppet forces.

Added to these are more than 1,400 of Okinawa-based 3rd marine division "specializing in landing operations", which is the notorious aggressive armed forces of US imperialism.

This bespeaks that the US imperialists are mobilizing on an extensive scale in south Korea their aggressive forces they amassed in the vicinity of Korea for the provocation of another aggressive war in Korea.

Recently the headquarters of the air force of the US imperialist first marine corps which had been stationed in Iwakuni base, Yamaguchi Prefecture of Japan, has been transferred to Okinawa, the "strategic attack base against Korean peninsula", where various kinds of mobile exercises are "intensified remarkably" by the marines of the US imperialist aggression army.

What should not be overlooked in particular is that this adventurous war gamble called "ROK-US joint naval amphibious mobile exercise" would last 28 days and that the DPRK is made a target of attack in this "mobile exercise" for "landing operation".

In other words, the US imperialists keep afloat the ships carrying fully-equipped large units of aggressive armed forces off the coast of south Korea so as to provoke a war at any time under the name of "exercise".

As is known already, they mapped out an operational plan to make their aggressive armed forces "march north" across the Military Demarcation Line and completed the deployment of armed forces and reorganization of operation command system under this plan. They are watching for a chance to ignite an aggressive war in Korea, keeping the whole army "ready for actions around the clock".

The aim sought by the US imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique in the "joint naval amphibious mobile exercise", a link of their nefarious operational plan, is to put their aggressor forces on "alert for actions".

Facts go to prove that the US imperialist new aggressive war provocation manoeuvres in Korea have reached a very grave stage.

It is quite natural that the entire Korean people and peaceloving people of the world, with keen attention to such adventurous war provocation machinations of the US imperialists, raise higher the voices of protest and condemnation to check and frustrate them.

The aggressive designs of the US imperialists against Korea never end here but are extended to other parts of the world. They have an ambition for world conquest.

If peace in Korea is disturbed, neither the Far East and Asia nor the rest of the world can remain peaceful.

Therefore, we Korean people who treasure peace are closely watching the war provocation machinations of the US imperialists which may do serious harm to the cause of preserving peace in Korea and the world and are making full preparations to crush them at one stroke in case they recklessly pounce upon us.

The US imperialists should desist from the dangerous play with fire in Korea and quit south Korea without delay, taking with them their aggressive armed forces.

If the US imperialists unleash an aggressive war in Korea without withdrawing from south Korea, they will perish never to revive in the flames they themselves kindled.

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Third World Represents a Mighty Anti-Imperialist Revolutionary Force of Our Time

Government of Equatorial Guinea Banishes US Diplomatic Officials

According to a report, the government of Equatorial Guinea recently expelled the US ambassador and consul general to Equatorial Guinea who had interfered high-handedly in its internal affairs, proclaiming them as undesirable existence.

The determined step taken by the government of Equatorial Guinea is a deserved punishment meted out to the US imperialists who look down upon the third world countries and resort to subversion and divisive activities against the progressive African countries.

100,000 Mexican People Stage Anti-US Demonstration

Recently 100,000 people conducted an anti-US demonstration in the capital of Mexico.

Unable to repress their indignation at the US ambassador in Mexico who made impudent remarks defiling the election system of their country, the demonstrators sternly denounced his provocative blast.

Demonstration of Thai Students Demanding US Army Withdrawal

On March 21, about 10,000 students waged a powerful anti-US demonstration in the capital of Thailand, according to a report from Bangkok.

The students who joined in the demonstration marched forward toward the US embassy, shouting the slogans: "US army, get out of Thailand at once!" and "Thailand is not a colony of the United States!"

The demonstration of the students was started, for they were enraged at the US imperialists who tried to keep their aggressive troops stationed in Thailand.

Bahrain Deprives US Imperialism of Its "Privilege"

According to a report, Bahrain recently decided to offer the US pirate ships no facilities for repair and supply.

It is also decided not to grant the US imperialists any "privilege" in Bahrain.

Developing Countries Condemn Imperialist Plunder

The attendants of the Second Session of the Intergovernmental Commissions of the Economic and Social Council on Multi-National Companies held recently in Lima, the capital of Peru, denounced sharply the predatory acts of imperialist monopolies in the developing countries.

The attendants adopted a document recommending measures to restrict the activities of imperialist monopolies.

NCPWP Exposes Arbitrariness of US Imperialist Monopoly Capitalists

The National Centre of Panamanian Working People, a report said, issued a statement disclosing and condemning the arbitrary action of the US imperialist monopoly capitalists to trample upon the rights of the Panamanian workers who work at the Canal Zone occupied by US imperialism.

The Centre appealed to the entire people of Panama to express solidarity with the workers in their struggle against the despotism of the US imperialist monopoly capitalists.

Law on Nationalization of All Natural Gas Fields Proclaimed in UAE

Recently the President of the United Arab Emirates proclaimed a law on nationalization of all the domestic natural gas fields, it was reported.

Formerly the right to develop gas resources in that country was held by foreign imperialist monopolies.

The law provides that the gas which has been and will be discovered in the land and the sea within the extension of the border line and the gas which has already been obtained shall be made the nation's property.

Law on Revocation of "ECM" Member States' Trade Privilege Adopted in Tanzania

Recently the Tanzanian National Assembly adopted a law on revocation of the privilege of the member states of the "European Common Market" in the field of foreign trade. This is an expression of the firm independent stand of the Tanzanian government.

Surinam Proclaims 200-mile Territorial Waters Right

Surinam recently declared the distance of 200 miles the extent of her territorial waters.

The proclamation of the 200-mile territorial sea rights by Surinam which has 300 km coastal line is a blow at the imperialists who plundered the marine resources of the country for a long period of time.

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The youth in Sri-Lanka are burning a Yankee imperialist in effigy in their anti-US struggle

SOLIDARITY AND COOPERATION

★ An agreement on economic and technical cooperation between the governments of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Upper Volta was signed recently, according to a report from Ouaga Dougou.

★ The Korean Committee for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries and the Korea-Syria Friendship Association co-sponsored a photo exhibition and film show at the Chollima House of Culture on the evening of March 6 to mark the Day of Revolution of the Syrian Arab Republic. And the employees of the Korea-Syria Friendship Pyongyang Silk-Reeling Mill held a meeting on the evening of March 8.

★ A photo exhibition and a film show were held on March 23 at the Chollima House of Culture under the co-sponsorship of the Korean Committee for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries and the Korea-Pakistan Friendship Association to observe the Day of Pakistan.

Photo exhibition on the occasion of the Day of Pakistan

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